A very fine pair of Chamber Candlesticks made in London in 1854 by John Samuel Hunt.

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Description

The Chambersticks have beautifully shaped bases, with a raised triple reeded rim. The vase shaped central socket is decorated with fluting and rises to a detachable nozzle, with identically shaped rim to that seen on the base. The scroll side handle has a reeded thumb piece, to which is attached a conical shaped extinguisher. The Chambersticks are of the finest quality as would be expected of this maker, and are of an exceptional weight. Each piece displays a full set of hallmarks and the base is engraved with a triple Crest. The Crests are those of Daniel, Amherst and Tyssen, specifically for William George Daniel-Tyssen, 1801-1855, High Sheriff of Norfolk in 1843. He married Mary, daughter of Andrew Fountaine, of Narford Hall, Norfolk. Their seat was Didlington Hall, Norfolk. Their only child was William Tyssen Amherst, 1st Baron Amherst of Hackney, 1835-1909. He was a British Conservative Member of Parliament and collector of books, manuscripts, antique furniture and other works of art. He became famous for his Egyptian collection. At Didlington Hall, he built a museum to house his rapidly growing Egyptian collection. In 1906 he was forced to sell a large portion of the collection after discovering that his estate and certain trusts had been entirely dissipated at the hands of an untrustworthy solicitor, Charles Cheston, under whose management they had been placed. He only lived for six weeks following the first Sotheby's auction from his collection.Hunt & Roskell, a firm of manufacturing and retail jewellers and silversmiths, was founded by Paul Storr in 1819, trading as Storr & Co, Storr & Mortimer, Mortimer and Hunt and then Hunt and Roskell. Hunt & Roskell had retail premises at 156, New Bond Street and a manufacturory at 26, Harrison Street, near Clerkenwell. John Samuel Hunt, who had assisted Storr from the start, continued as a partner until his death in 1865, when he was succeeded by his son, John Hunt.Base Diameter: 5.5 inches, 13.75 cm.Height: 2.7 inches, 6.75 cm.Weight: 28oz, the pair.

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